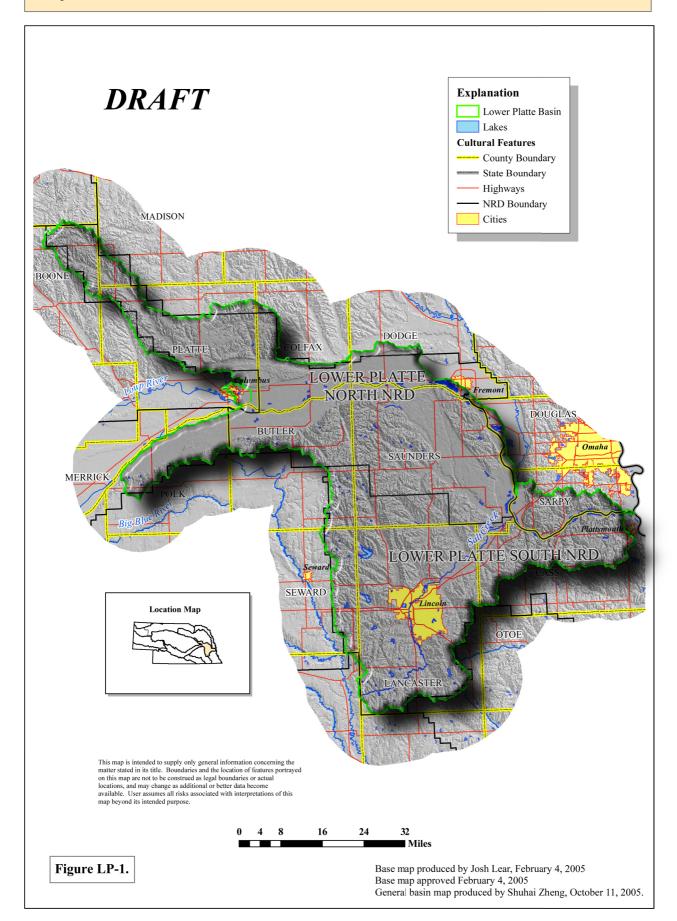


GENERAL BASIN MAP LOWER PLATTE RIVER BASIN

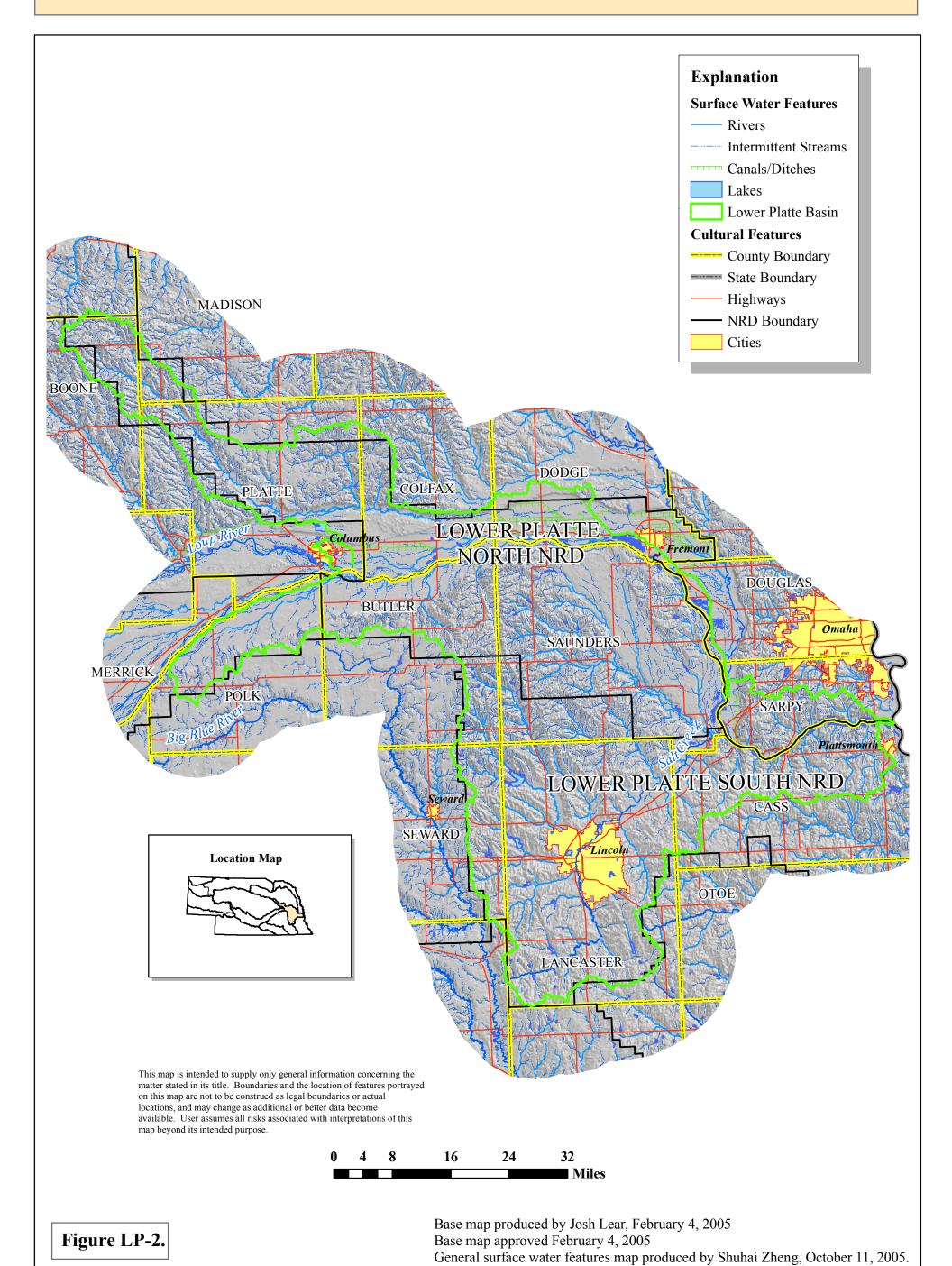






General Surface Water Features LOWER PLATTE RIVER BASIN







Precipitation Gages LOWER PLATTE RIVER BASIN



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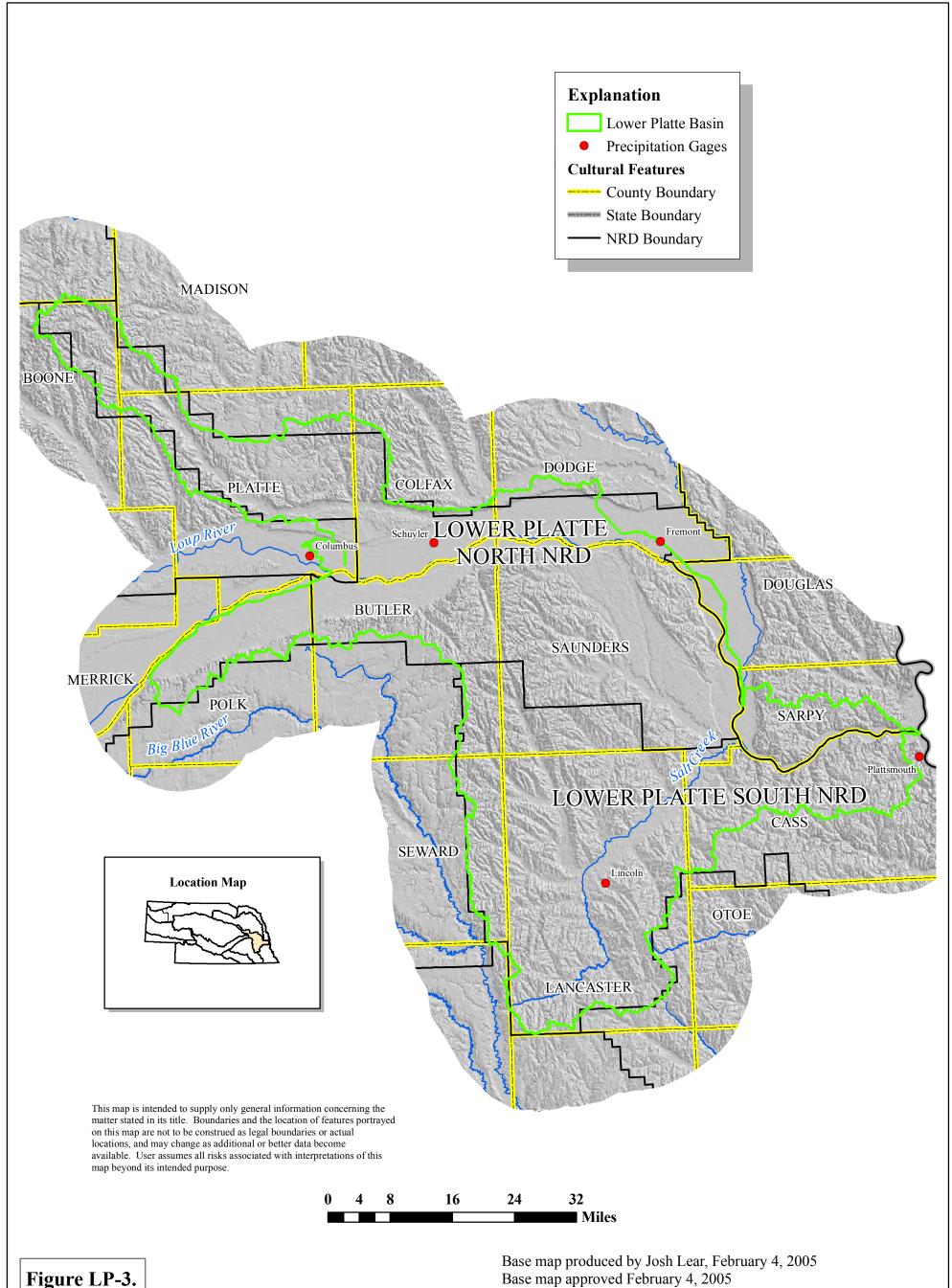


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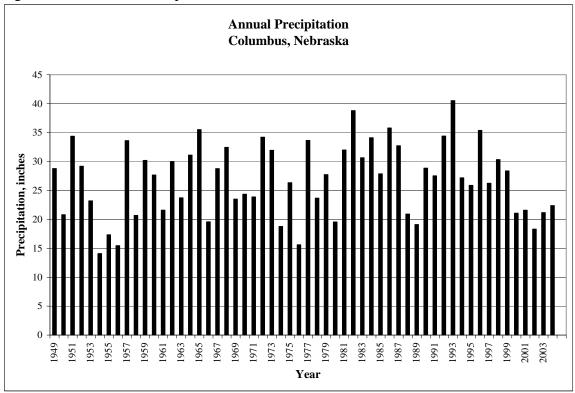


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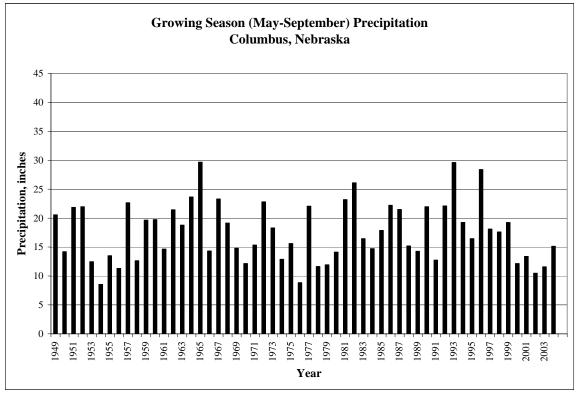


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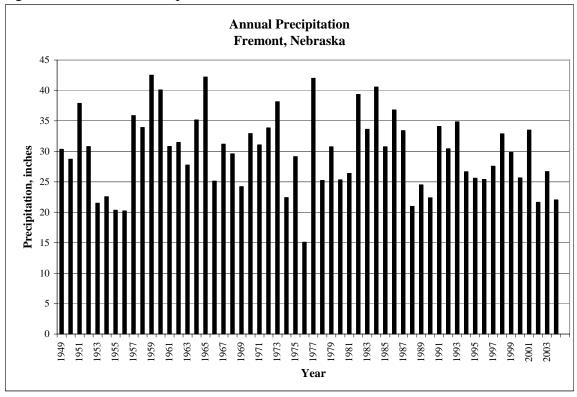


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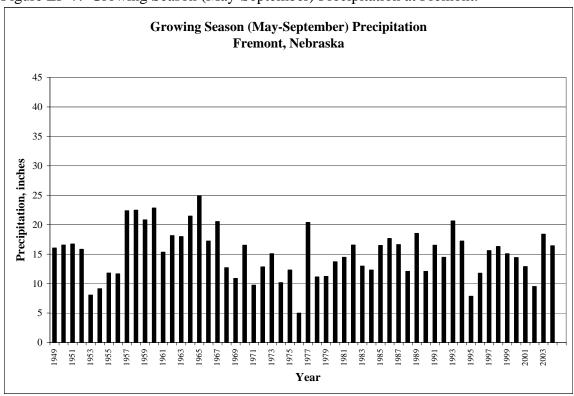


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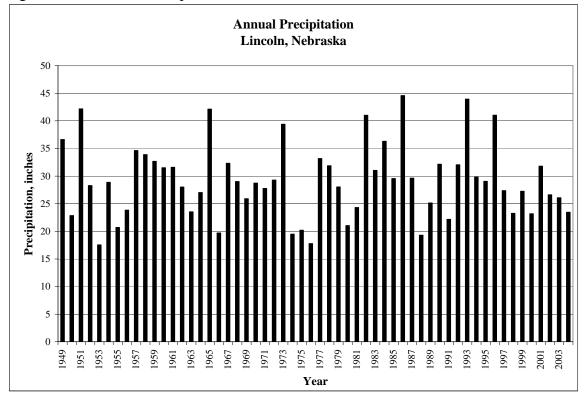


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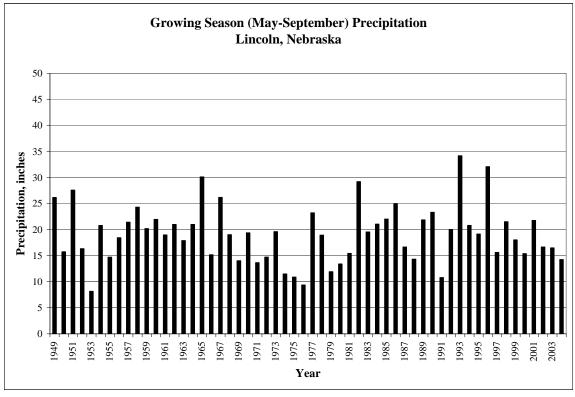


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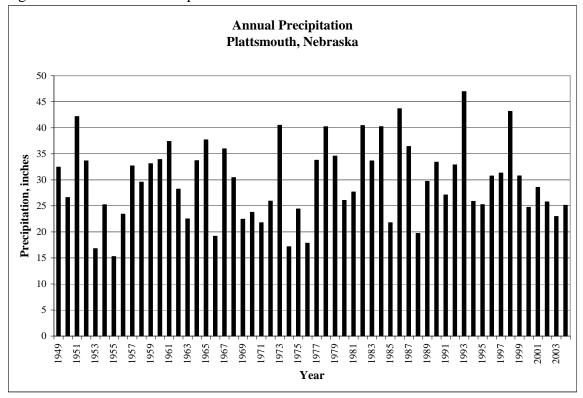


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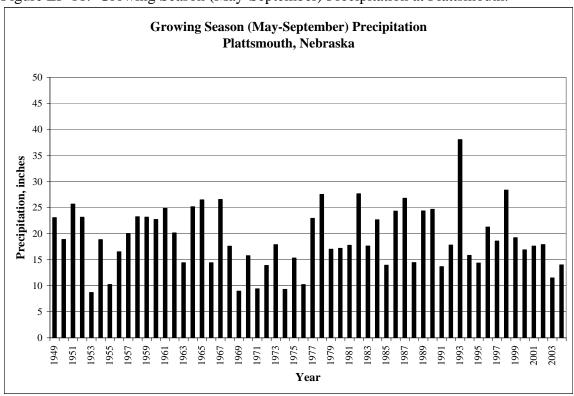


Figure LP-12. Annual Precipitation at Schuyler.

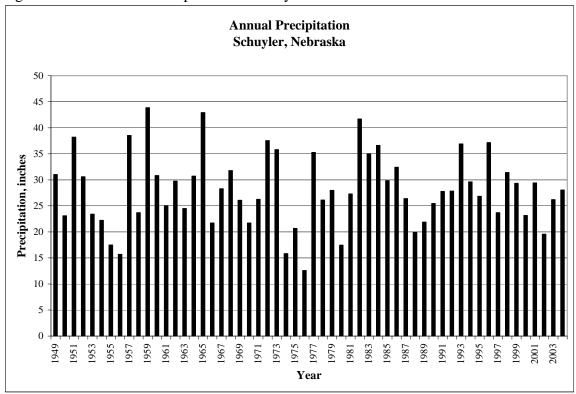
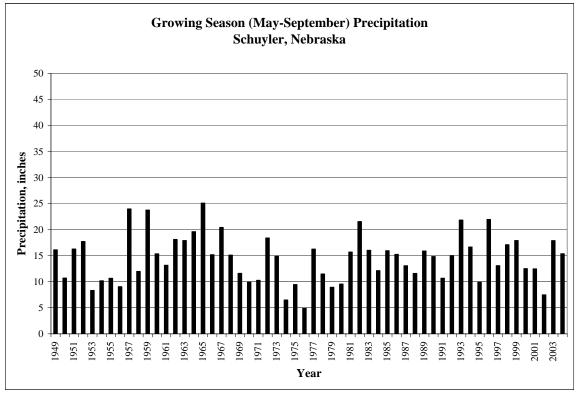


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Glacial Till LOWER PLATTE RIVER BASIN



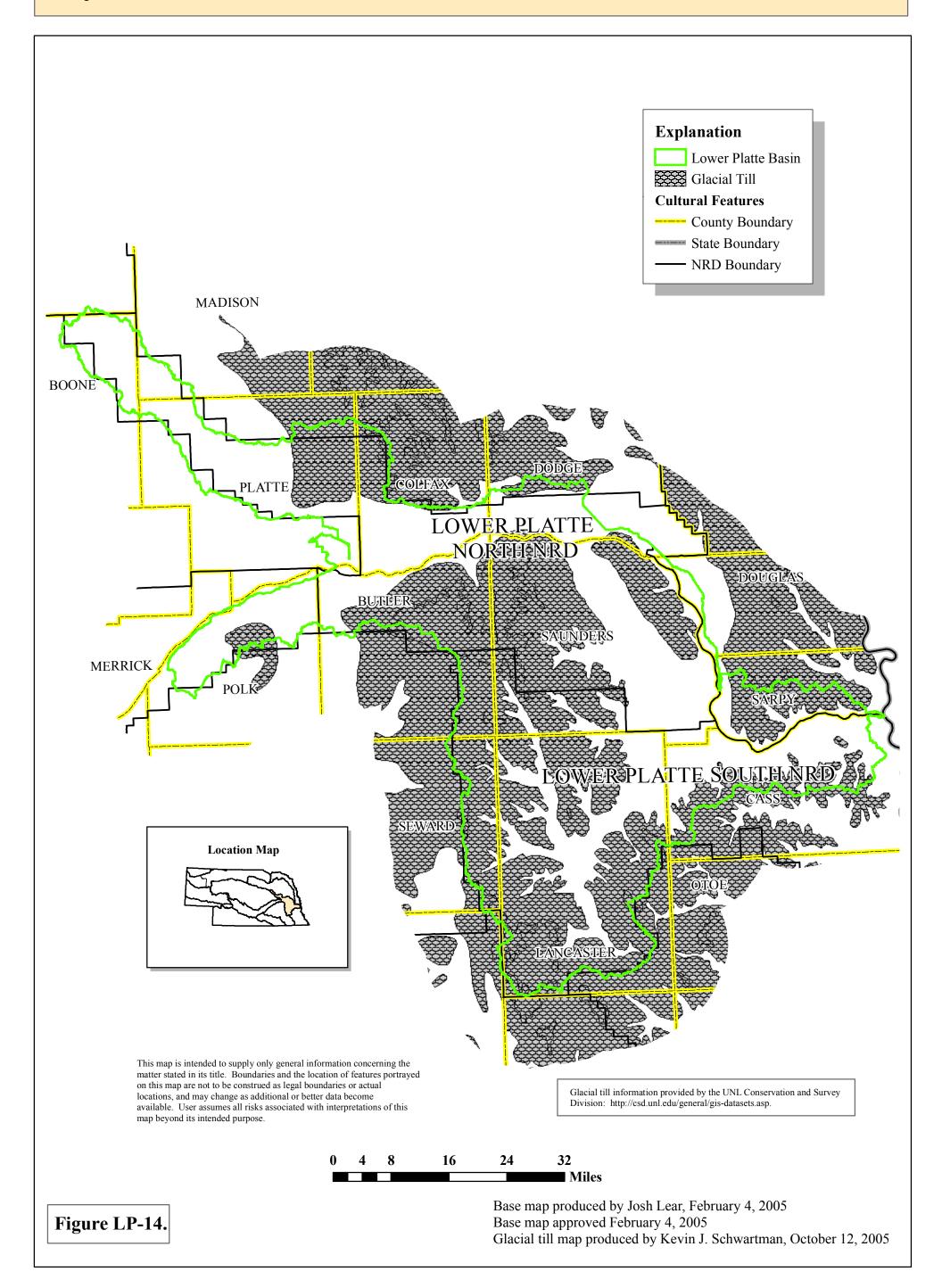
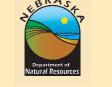


Table LP-1. – Aquifers in unconsolidated surficial deposits (modified from Druliner and Mason, 2001; LPSNRD, 1995)

System	Hydrogeologic unit	Character and description	Maximum thickness, in feet	Hydrogeologic characteristics	
Quaternary	Platte River	Alluvial sand, gravel and silt deposited within incised bedrock valley of the Platte		Unconfined and hydrologically connected with the Platte River.	
	Aquifer	River.	70	Yields 900 to 2000 gal/min of water to wells.	
	Missouri River Aquifer	Alluvial sand, gravel and silt deposited within incised bedrock valley of the Missouri River.	80	Unconfined to semi-confined and hydrologically connected with the Missouri River. Wells generally yield 300 to 700 gal/min, and locally yield as much as 1,500 gal/min.	
	Paleovalley Alluvial Aquifers	Fluvial silt, sand, gravel and clay deposits within bedrock valleys. Commonly underlying thick fine-grained deposits of glacial till and loess.	275	Semi-confined to confined alluvial aquifers. May yield 400 to 1,200 gal/min of water to wells.	
	Loess	Silt with a little very fine sand and clay deposited as wind-blown dust.	unknown	May provide small amounts of water to shallow stock or domestic wells.	
	Till	Ice deposited silty, sandy clay with some gravel, pebble, and cobbles.	unknown	Relatively impermeable but may contain small perched ground water or sand deposits that yield water to small capacity wells.	

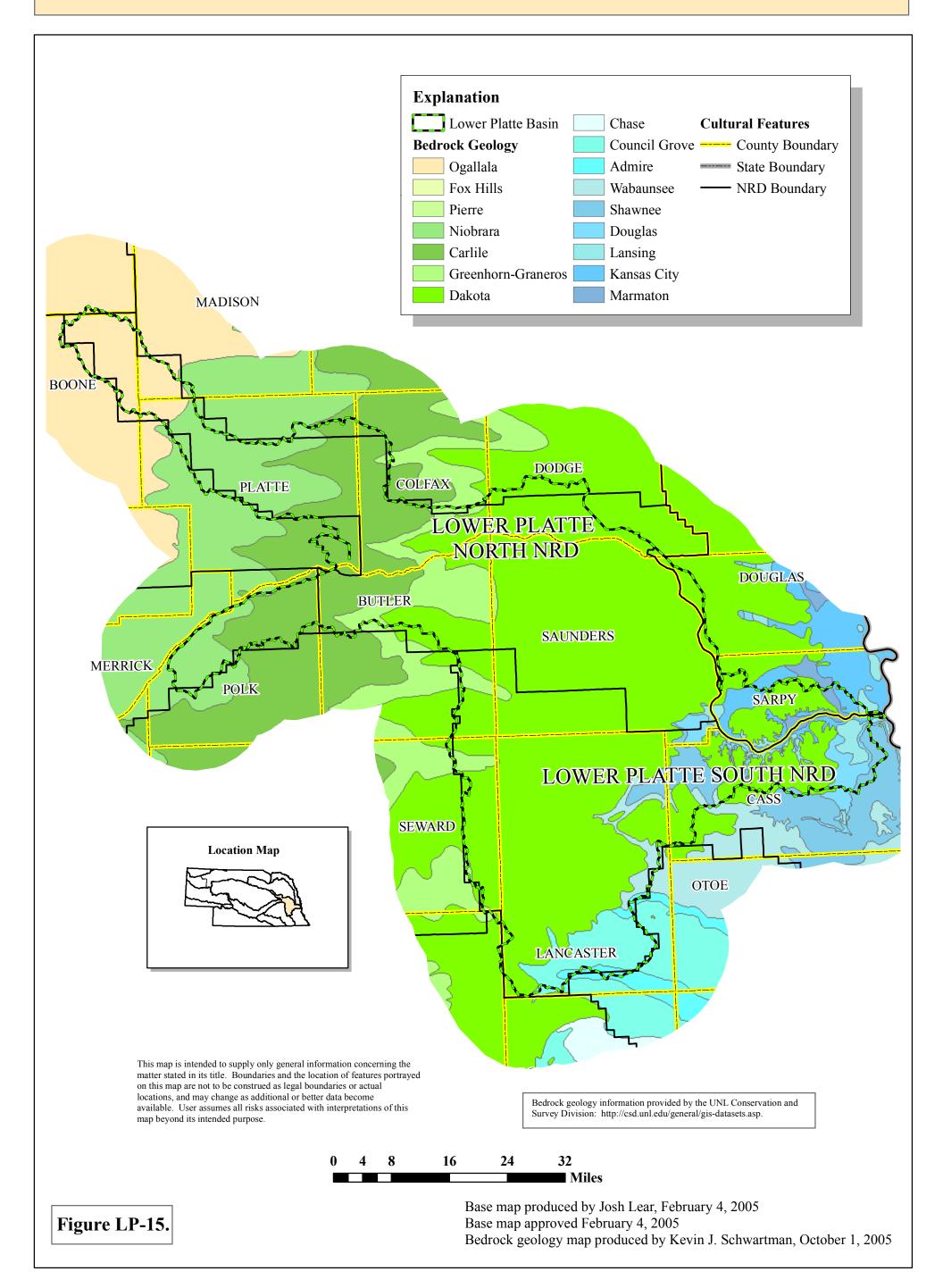
Table LP-2. – Characteristics of bedrock aquifers (modified from Druliner and Mason, 2001; LPSNRD, 1995; Sniegocki, 1955)

System	Hydrogeologic unit	Character and description	Maximum thickness, in feet	Hydrogeologic characteristics	
Tertiary	Ogallala Group	Gravel, sand, silt, clay, with some lime-cemented beds.	0-200	Widespread aquifer in Nebraska, but not an important source of water in the Lower Platte River Basin.	
Cretaceous	Dakota Sandstone	Massive to crossbedded friable sandstone interbedded with clayey to slightly sandy shales. Sandstone may contain ironstone or siderite concretions and chert pebbles.	<140	Unconfined or semi-confined aquifer. Wells can yield 50 to 750 gal/min of water to wells. Water is of variable quality. Used as a primary water source only when other sources are not available	
Permain and Pennsylvanian Undifferentiated shale, limestone and sandstone		Shales interbedded with limestone and sandstone. Shales may be laminated clayey, sandy, calcareous, fossiliferous and may contain gypsum. Limestone may be massive, geodal, fossiliferous or contain chert. Sandstone is generally thin bedded and may contain coal.	<1000	Not a major aquifer. Fractured limestone may yield 20 to 50 gal/min of water to wells. Yield may be increased by locally thick sandstone or if hydrologically connected to overlying unconsolidated sand and gravel deposits.	



Bedrock Geology LOWER PLATTE RIVER BASIN

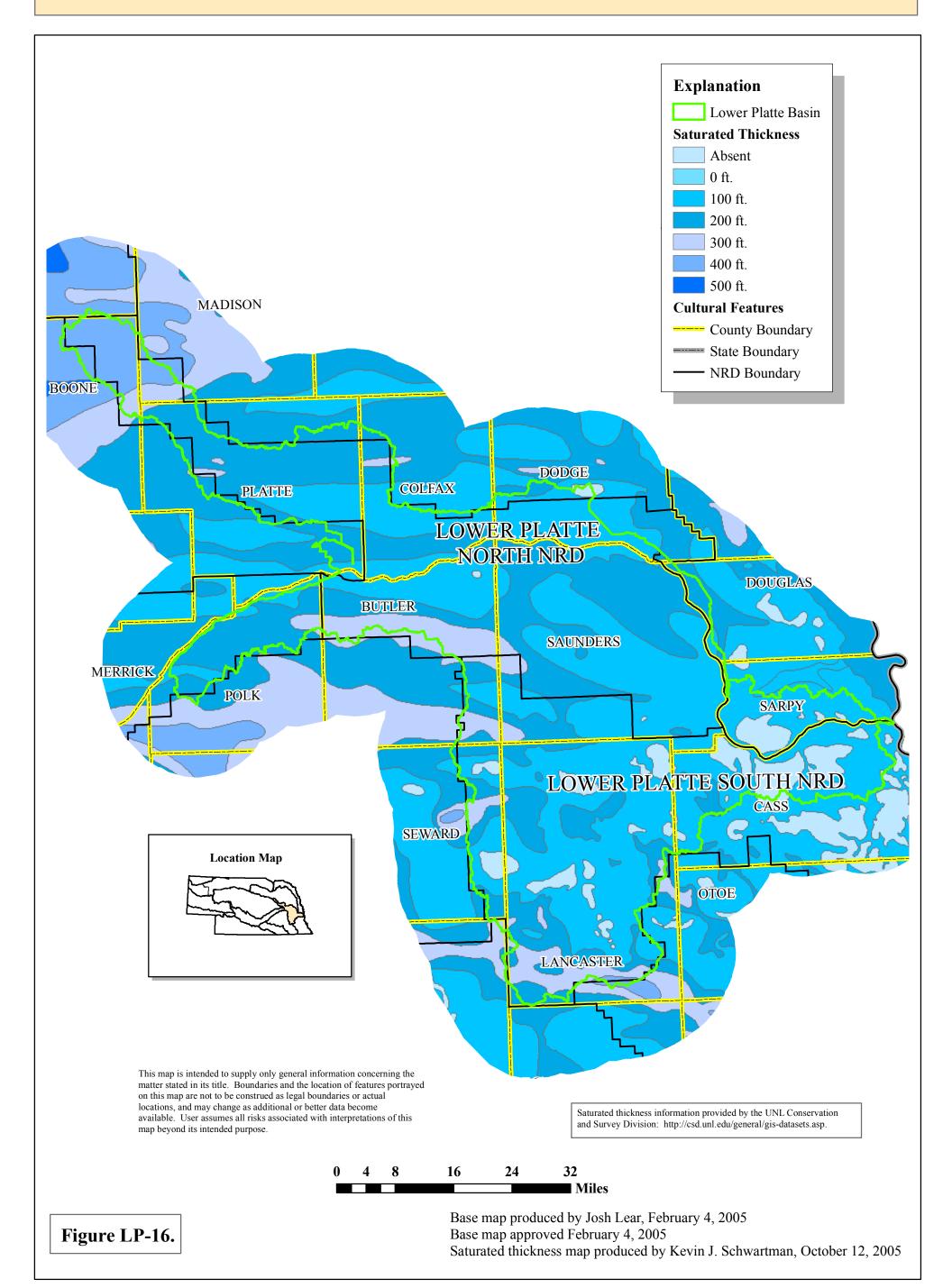






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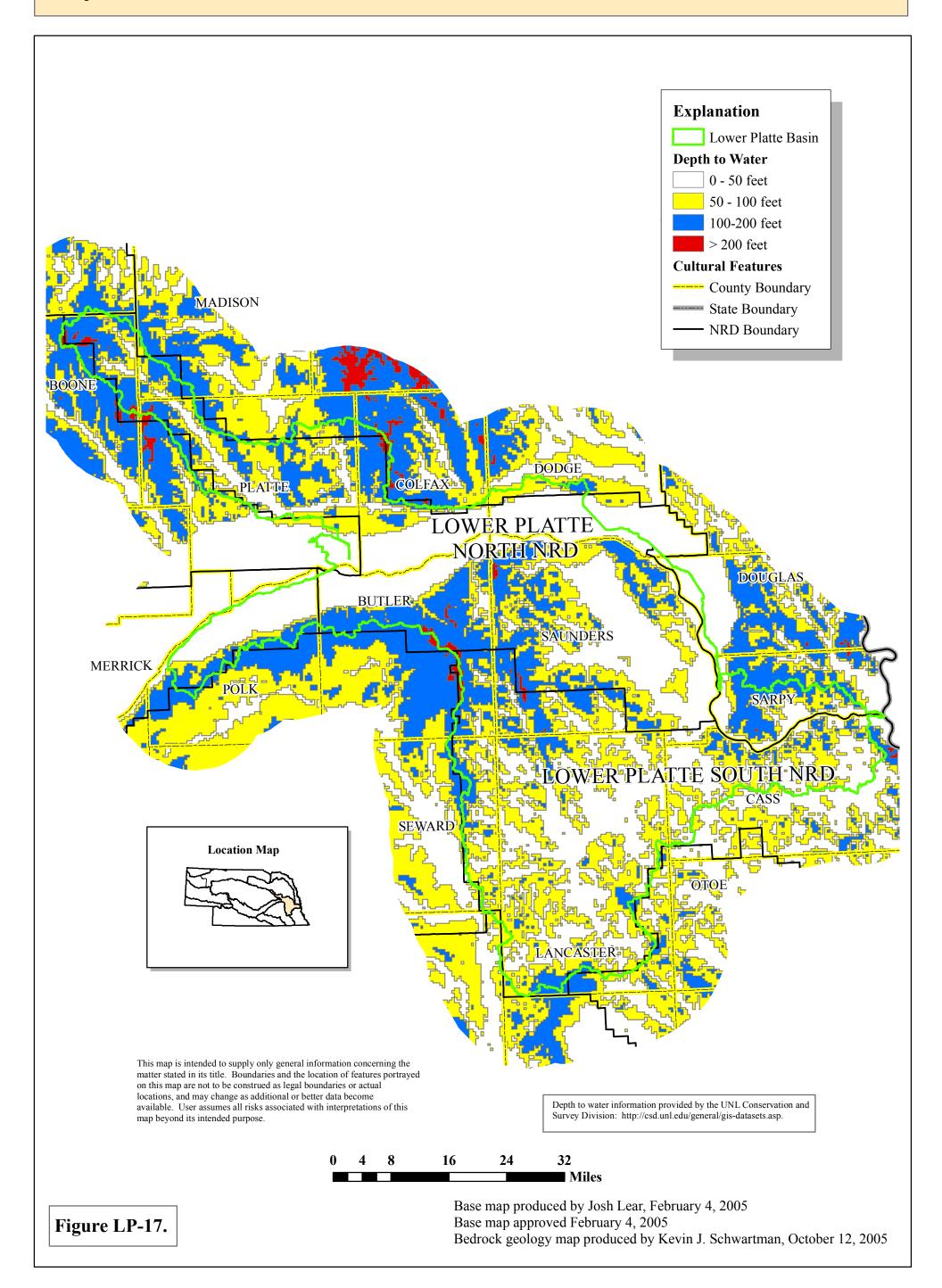






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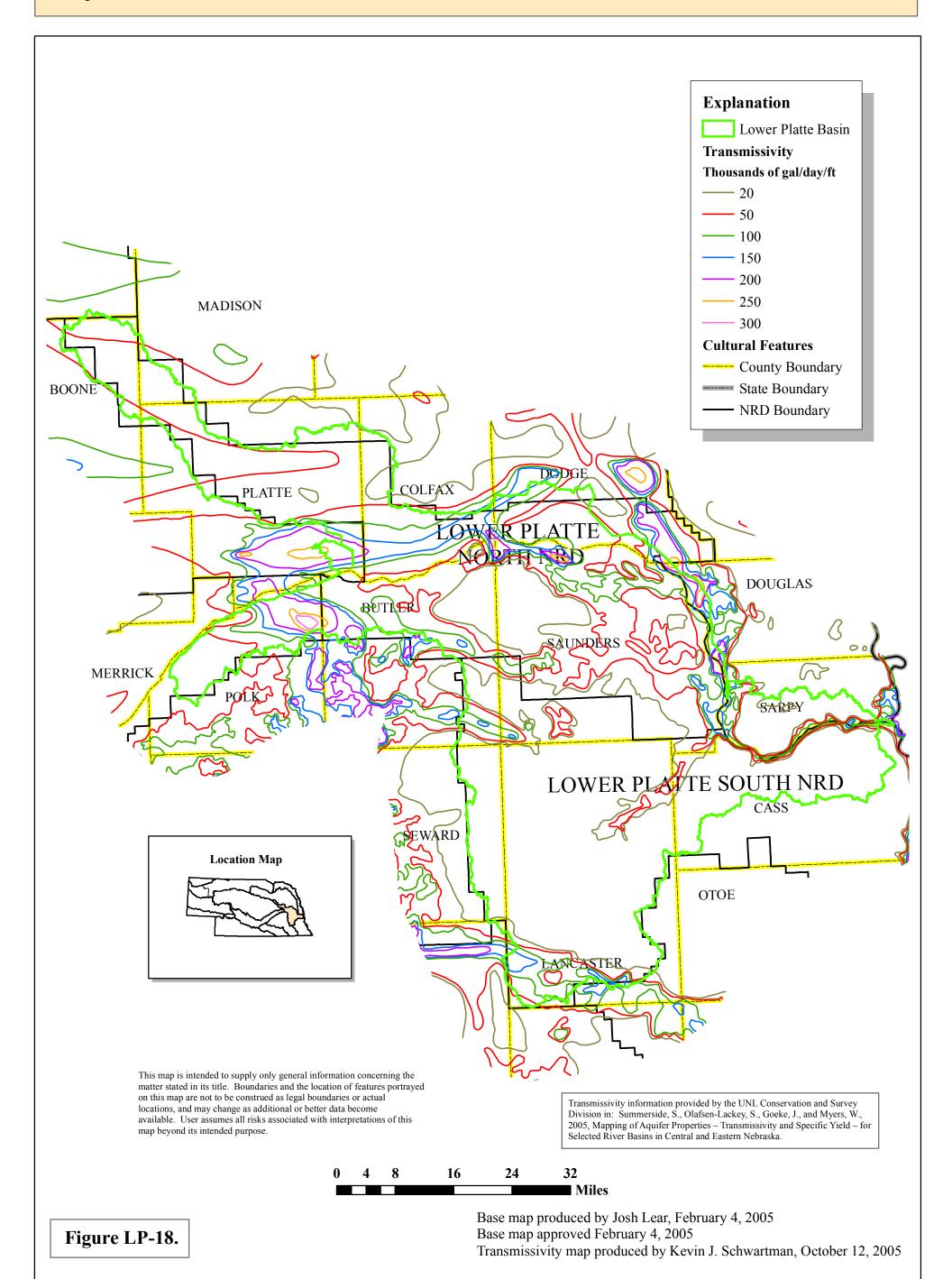






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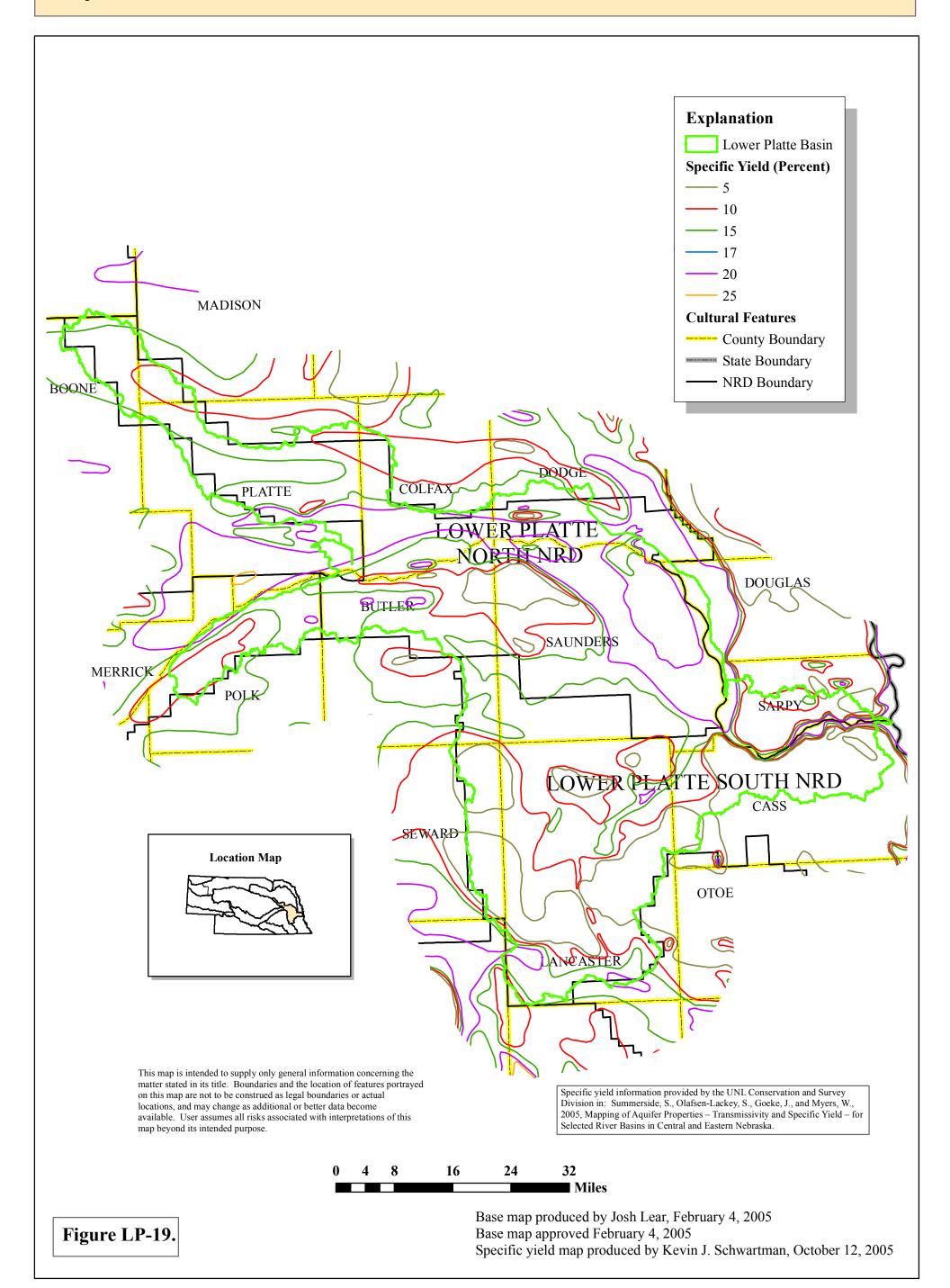






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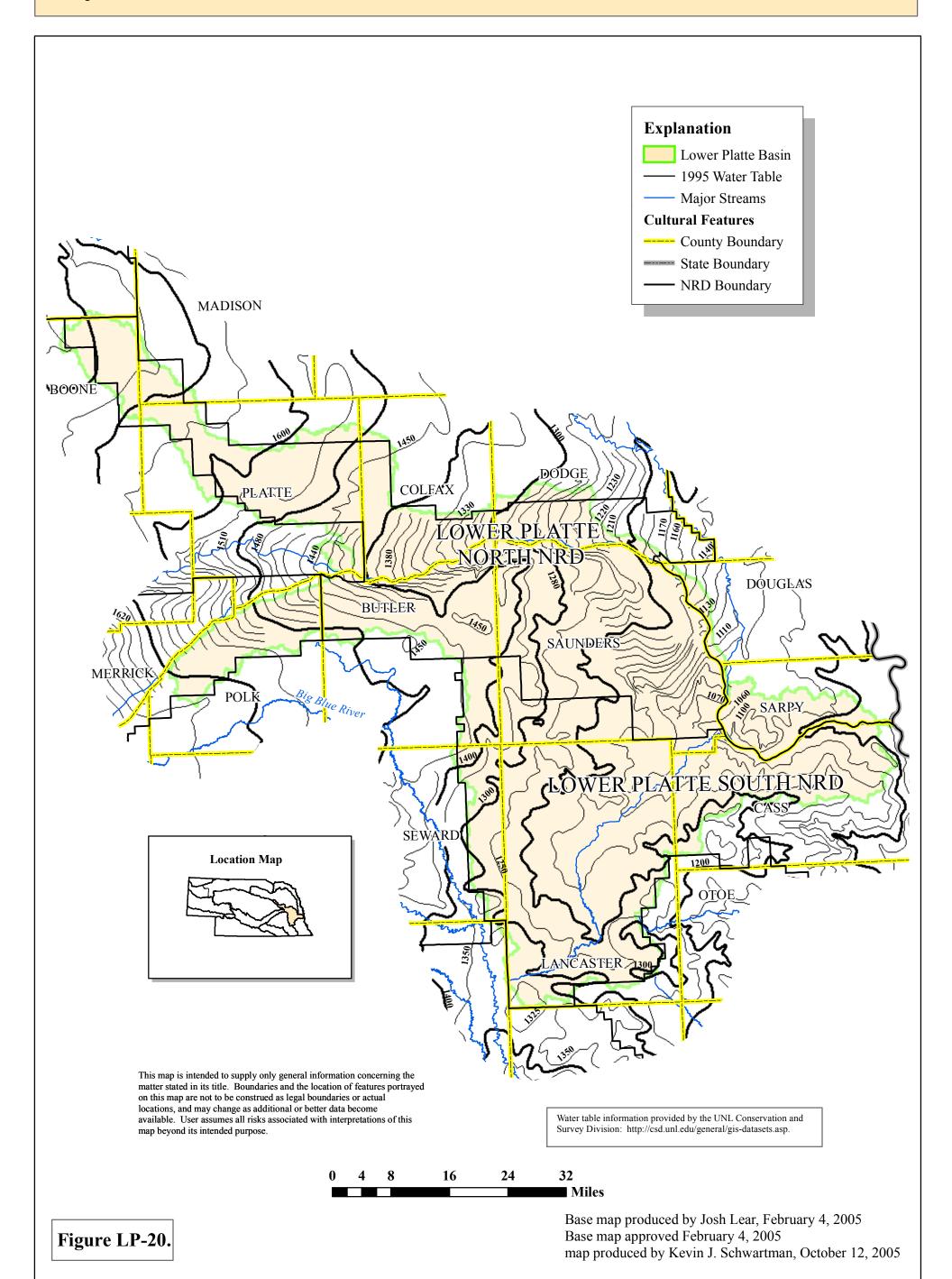






1995 Ground Water Table LOWER PLATTE RIVER BASIN







Depletive Ground Water Wells LOWER PLATTE RIVER BASIN



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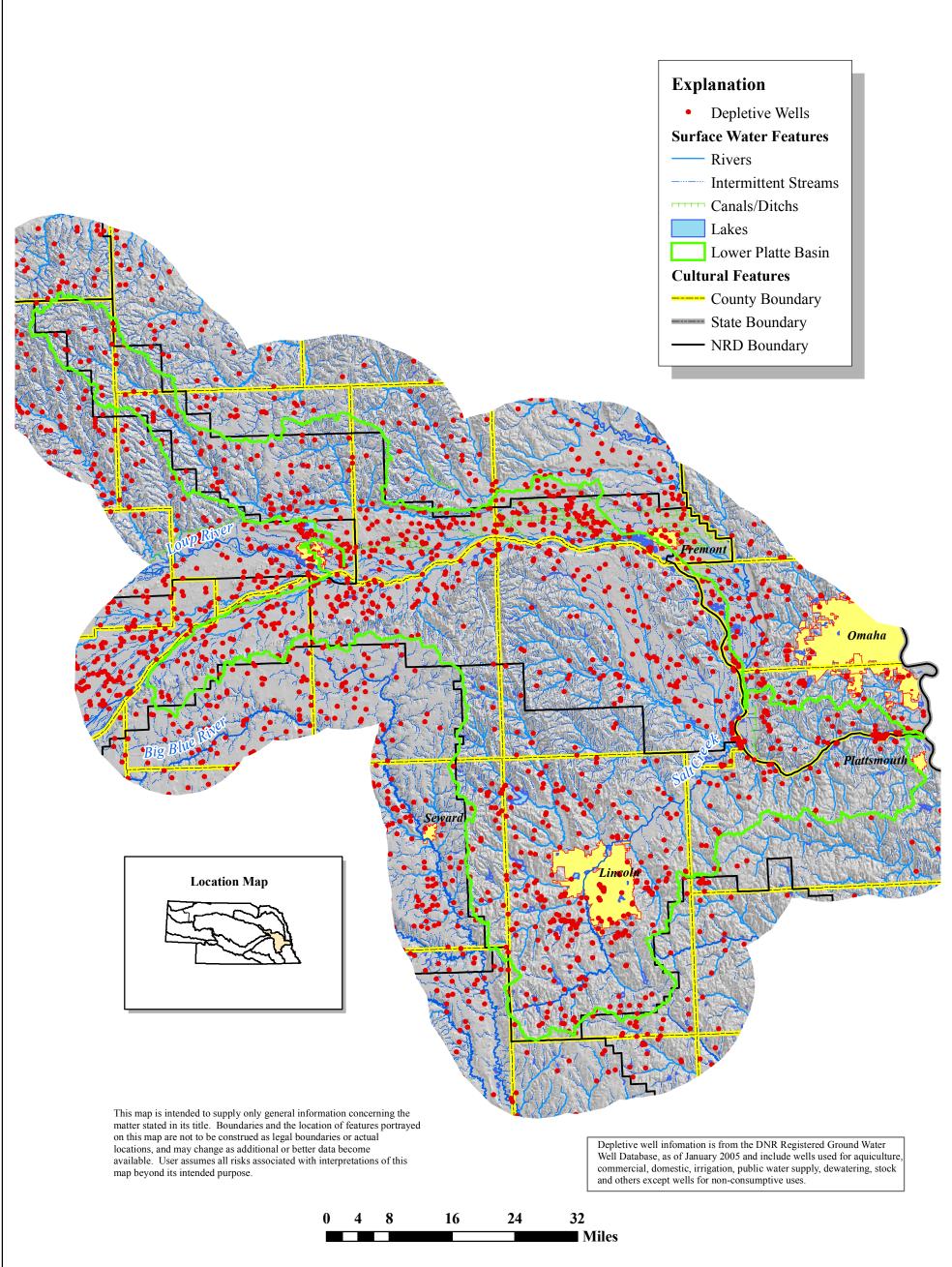


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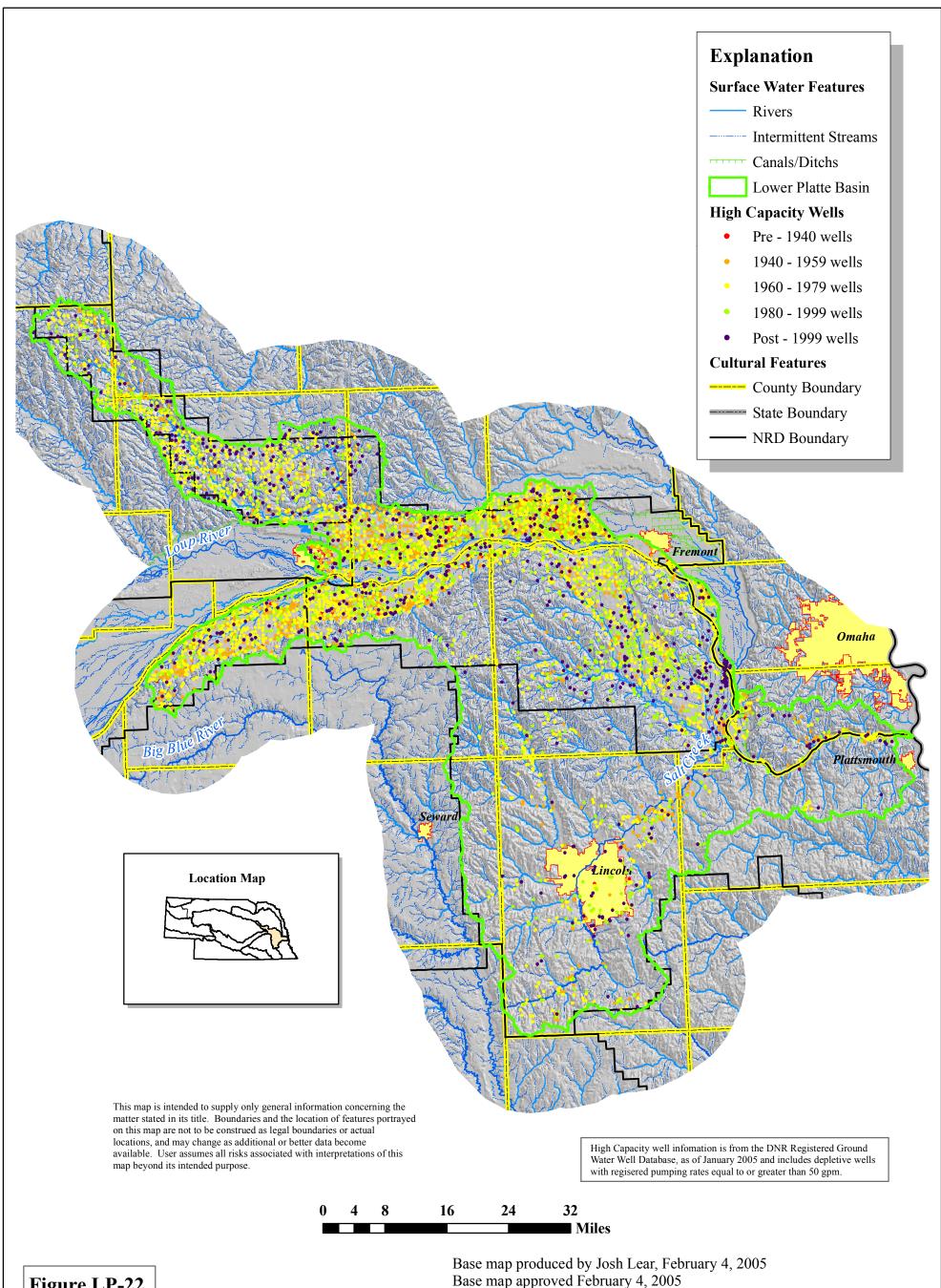
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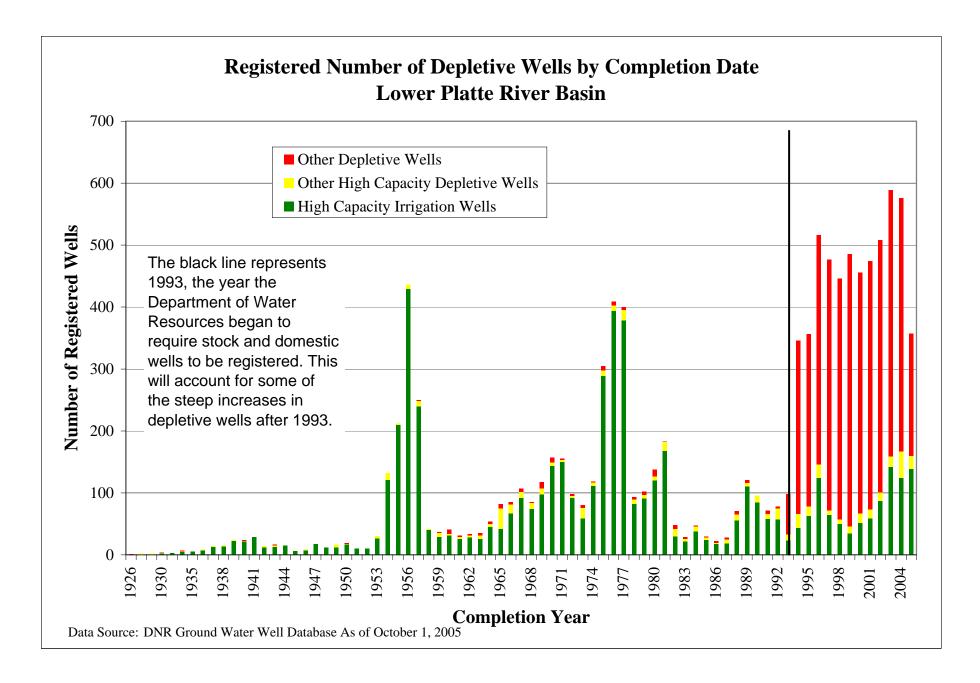
High Capacity Wells by Completion Years LOWER PLATTE RIVER BASIN



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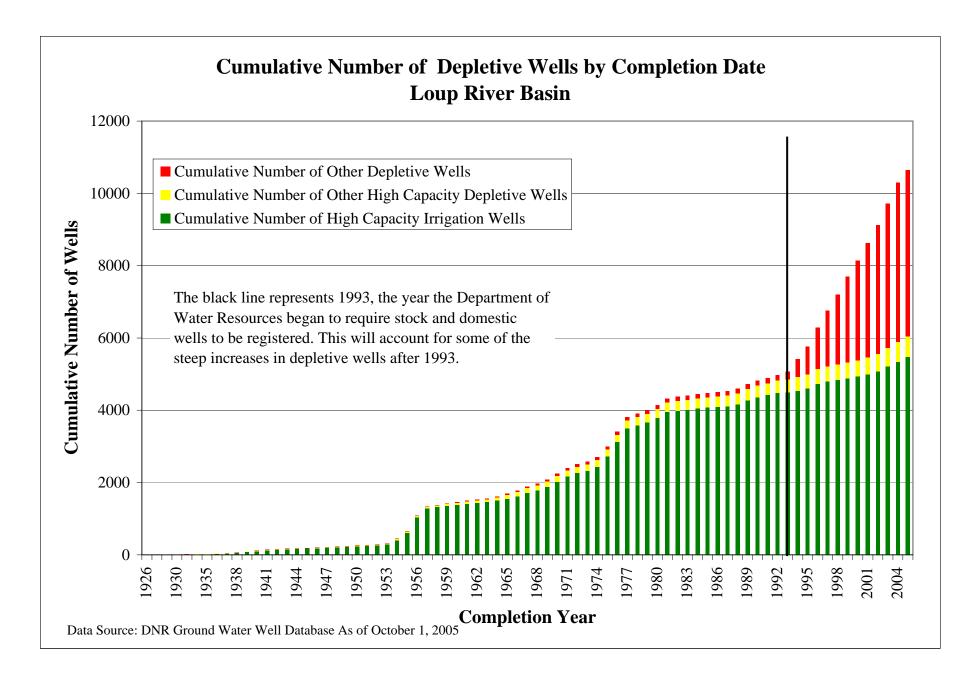


Table LP-3. Average Irrigated Acreage 1950-2003 for Counties Fully or Partially in the Lower Platte River Basin

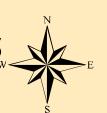
	Estimated Average Irrigated Acreage by County							
County Name	Percent of County in Lower Platte Basin	1950-1959	1960-1969	1970-1979	1980-1989	1990-1999	2000-2003	
Antelope	<1	3140	14709	89076	160910	184990	213225	
Boone	13	10299	25671	63326	111210	141590	164400	
Butler	51	8458	29408	65290	94590	106100	112225	
Cass	47	499	768	2265	4070	2720	1950	
Colfax	43	6048	16812	31426	59530	59970	63850	
Dodge	22	6865	19554	51683	80740	93890	104050	
Douglas	6	825	2188	7555	12830	12640	9850	
Lancaster	86	980	4445	9841	13600	12650	12925	
Madison	6	2219	8494	37086	70420	86440	102150	
Merrick	<1	47192	78962	119629	145480	162730	173650	
Platte	46	10651	31718	77881	127710	161700	188775	
Polk	33	19512	58246	99470	113480	138180	151225	
Saline	1	6762	27831	56187	70740	80140	89875	
Sarpy	51	816	981	3597	5390	6690	6375	
Saunders	100	1969	6444	30276	60380	80570	99075	
Seward	19	9461	35109	75057	97440	114280	123375	
Total		135695	361340	819645	1228520	1445280	1616975	
% Change from Previous 10 Years			166.29%	126.83%	49.88%	17.64%	11.88%	

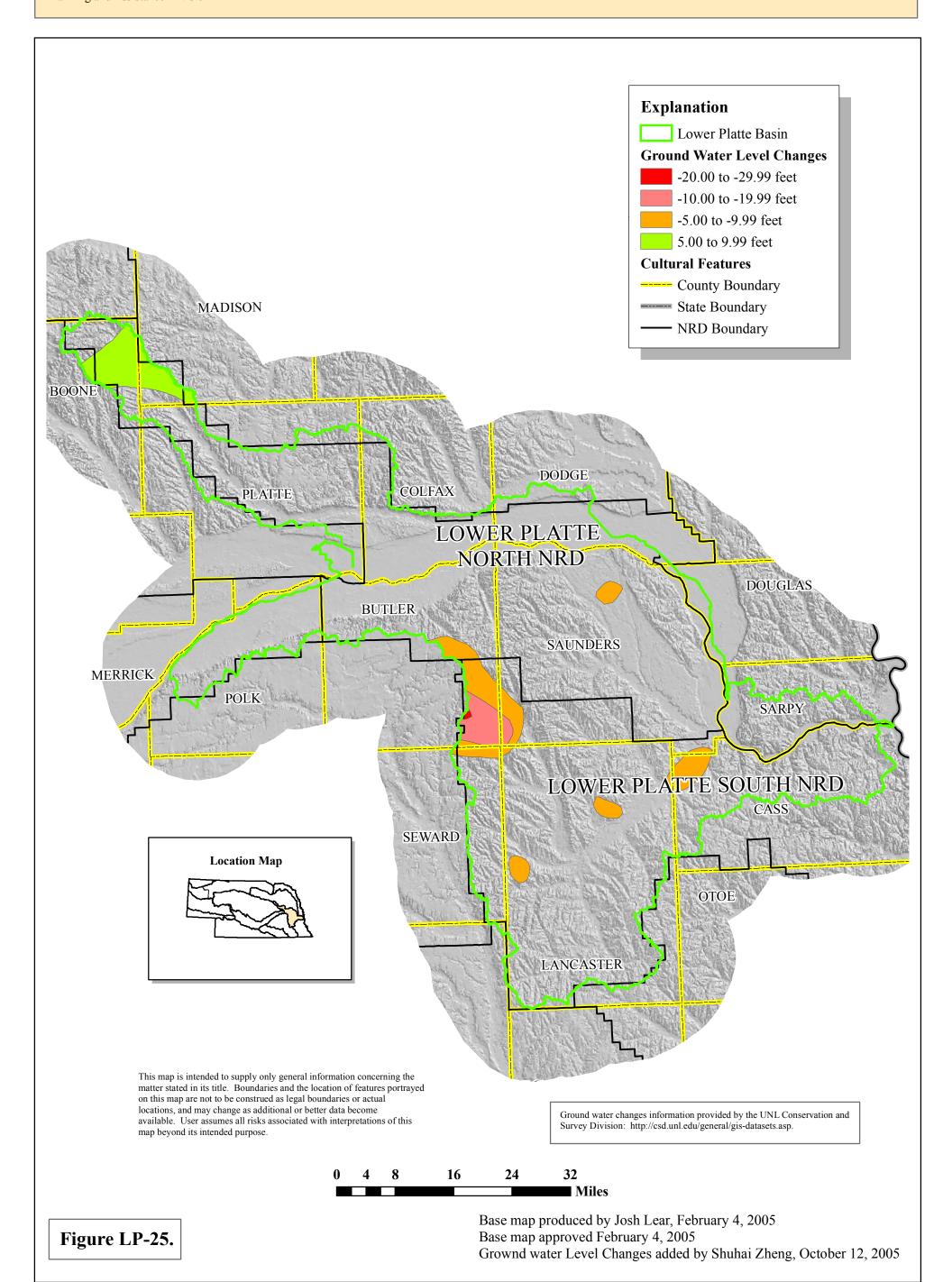
^{*} The percentage is the percentage of the county area which is in the Lower Platte Basin. It does not necessarily represent the percentage of irrigated county acreage in the Lower Platte River Basin.

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Ground Water-level Changes Pre-development to 2005, LOWER PLATTE RIVER BASIN

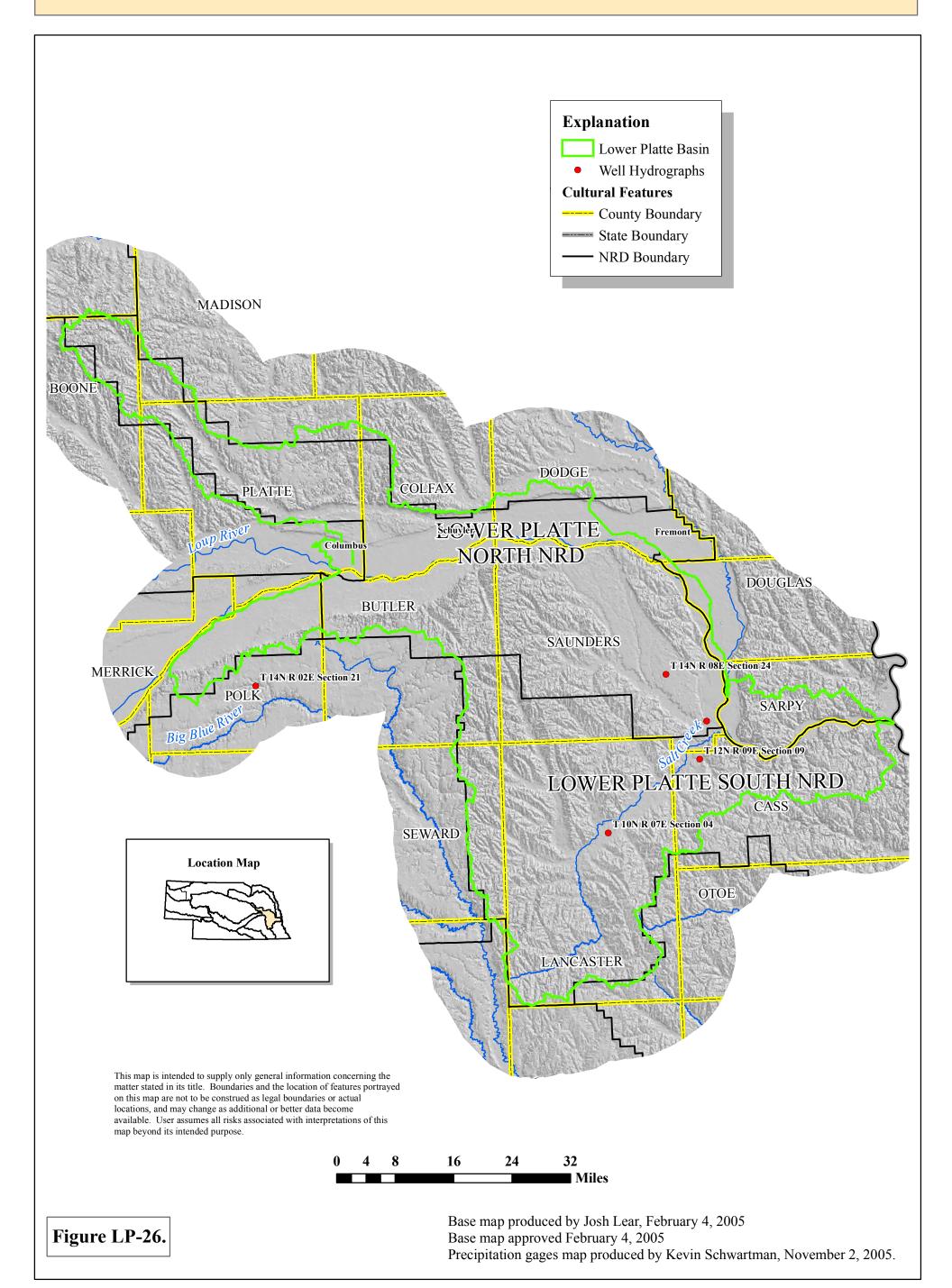




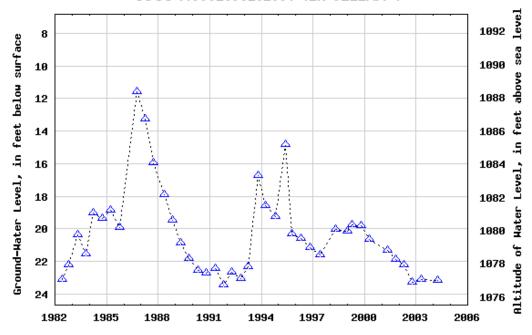


Hydrograph Locations LOWER PLATTE RIVER BASIN





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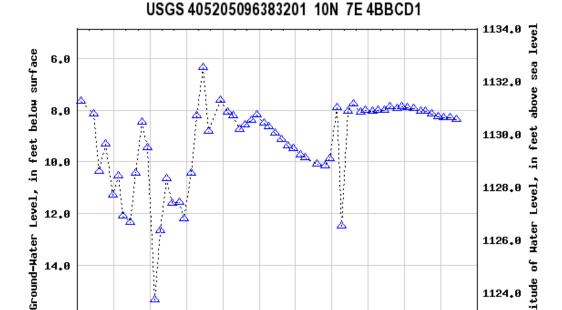


Provisional Data Subject to Revision

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Land-surface elevation 1,100.00 feet above sea level NGVD29
The depth of the well is 93.0 feet below land surface. This well is completed in the QUATERNARY SAND AND GRAVEL
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Figure LB-27

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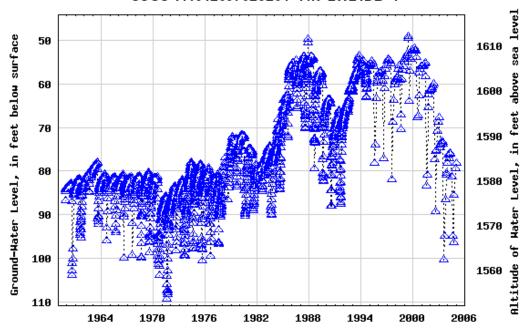
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Lancaster County, Nebraska Hydrologic Unit Code 10200203 Latitude 40°52'05", Longitude 96°38'32" NAD27 Land-surface elevation 1,138.98 feet above sea level NGVD29 The depth of the well is 33.0 feet below land surface. This well is completed in the QUATERNARY SAND AND GRAVEL DEPOSITS, UNDIFFERENTIATED (110SDGV) local aquifer.

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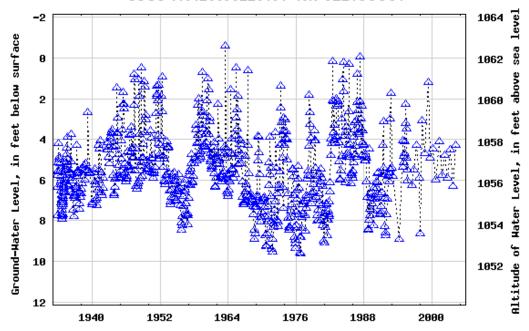


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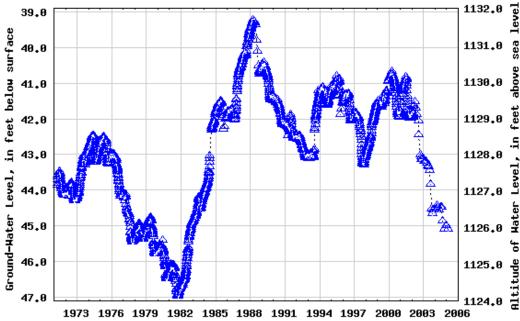


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The depth of the well is 80.0 feet below land surface.
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Figure LB-31



Stream Gages LOWER PLATTE RIVER BASIN



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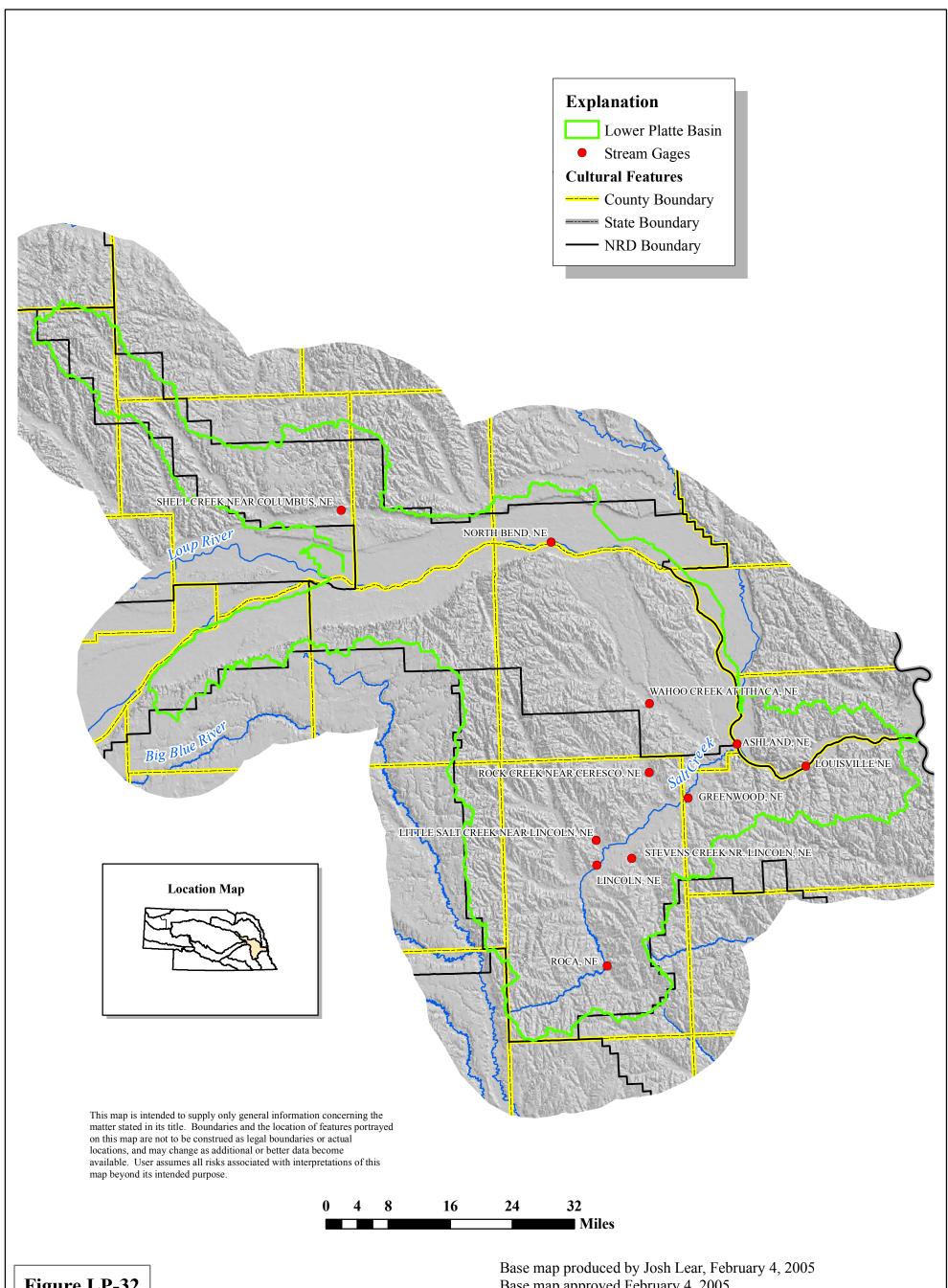


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Figure LP-33. Annual Flows, Shell Creek near Columbus.

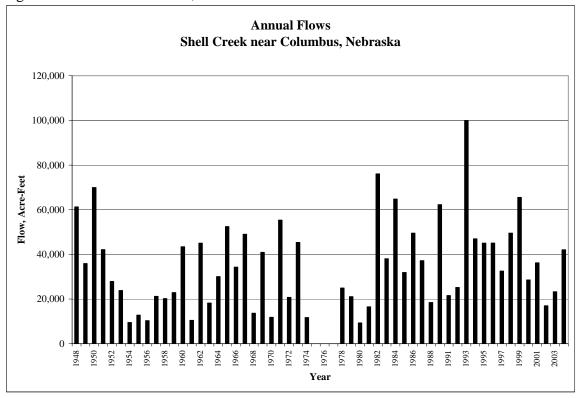


Figure LP-34. Annual Flows, Salt Creek at Roca.

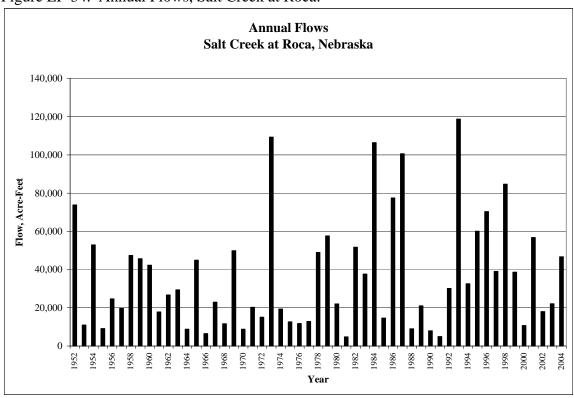


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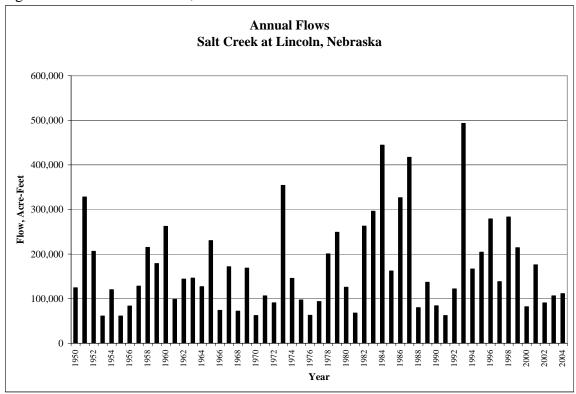


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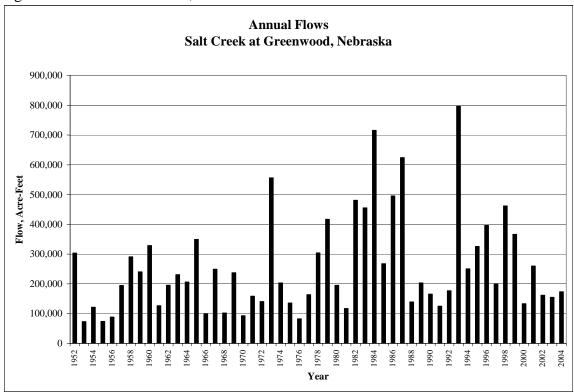


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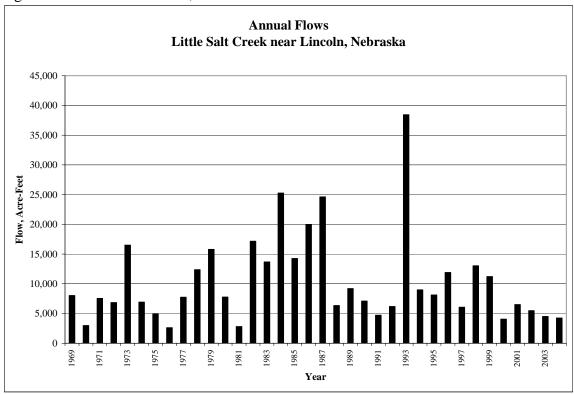


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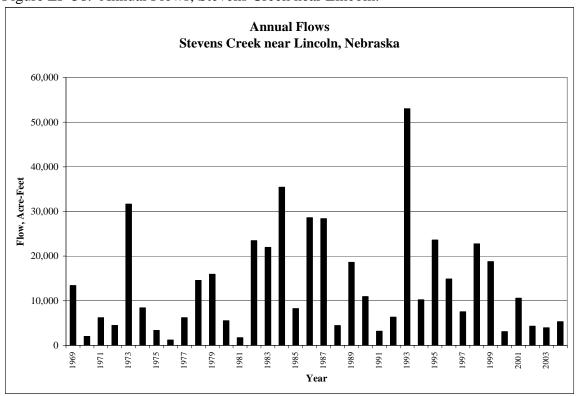


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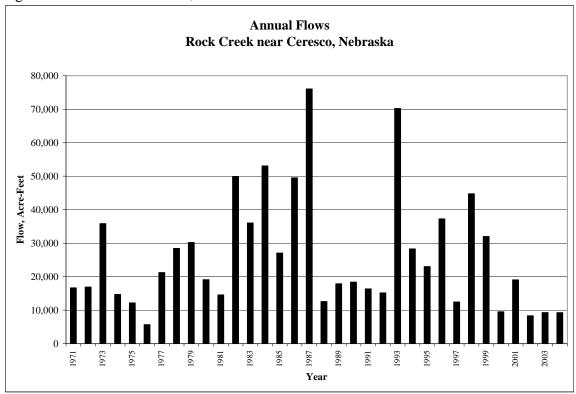


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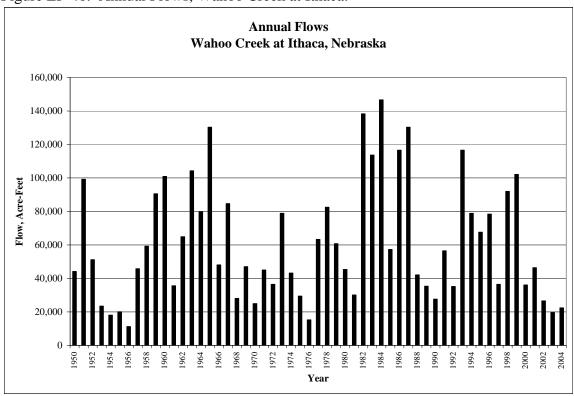


Figure LP-41. Annual Flows, Platte River at North Bend.

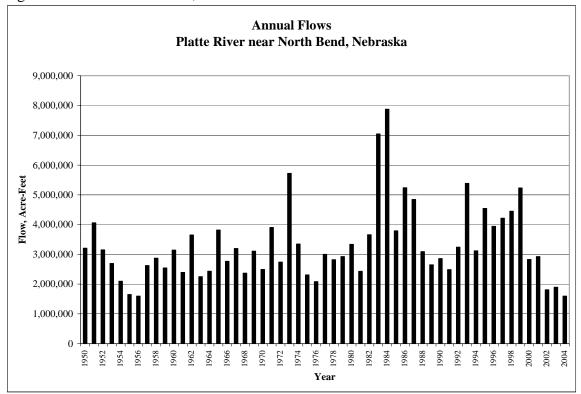


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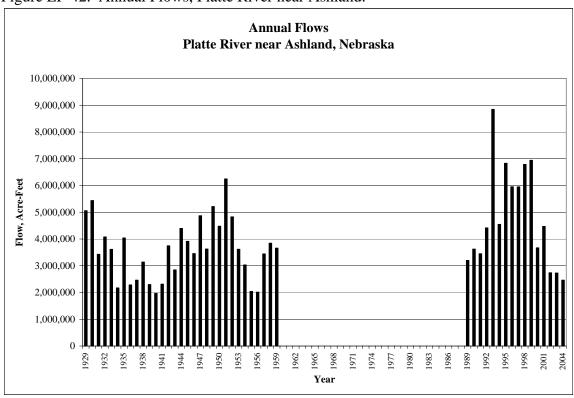
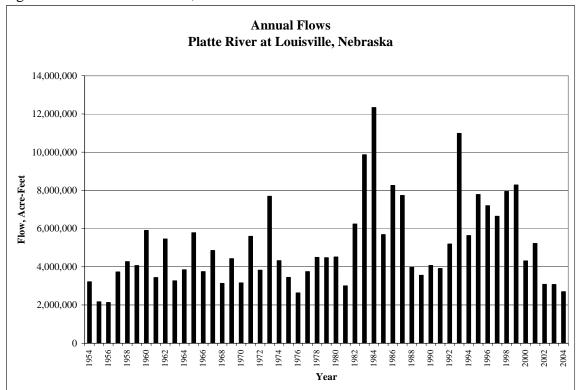


Figure LP-43. Annual Flows, Platte River at Louisville.



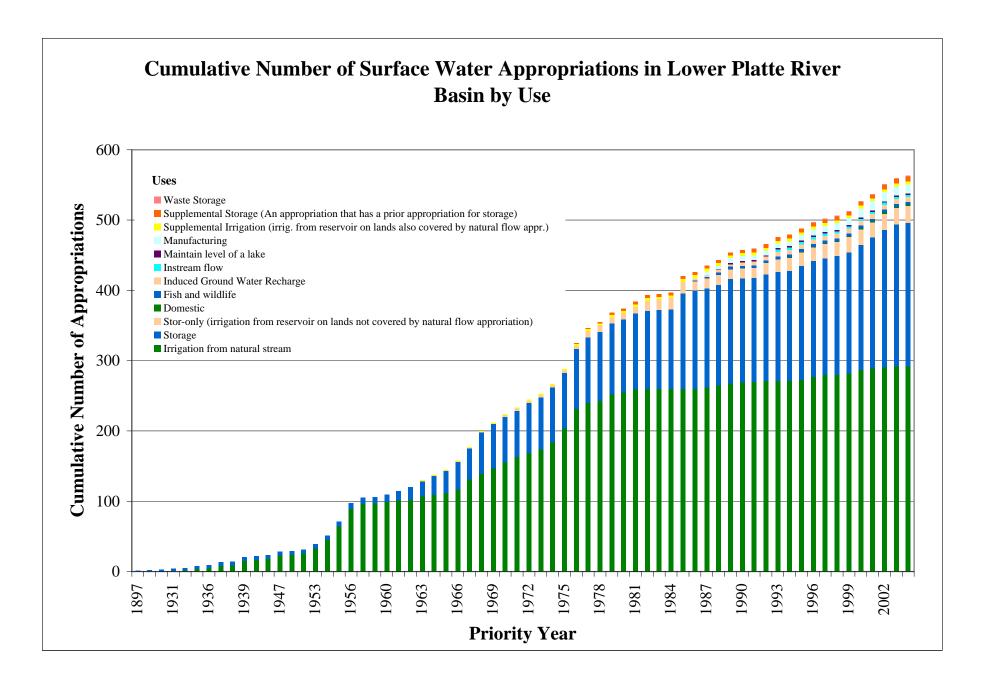


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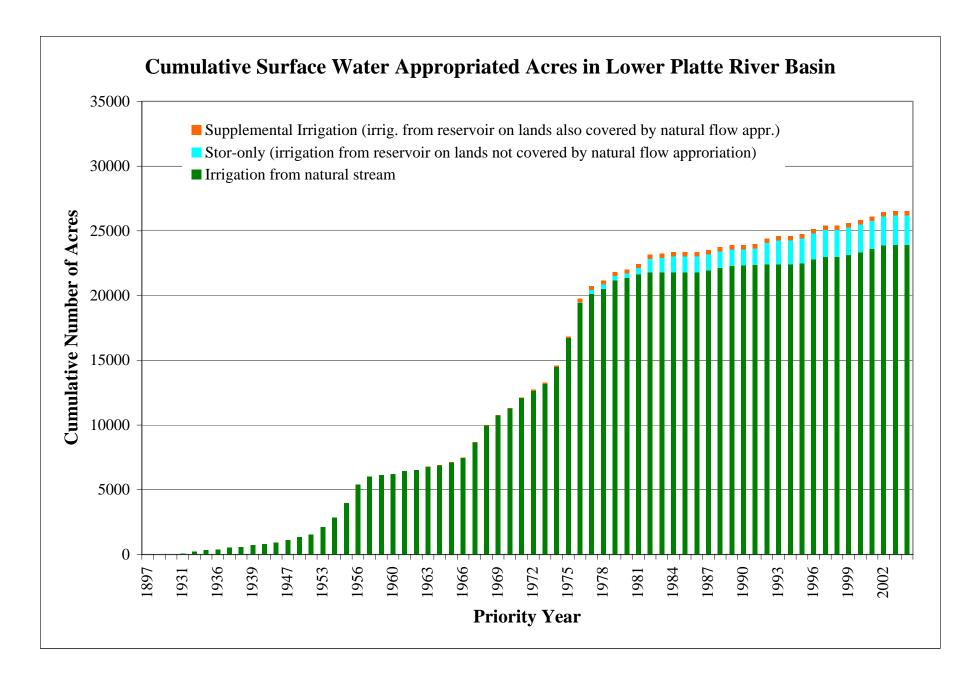


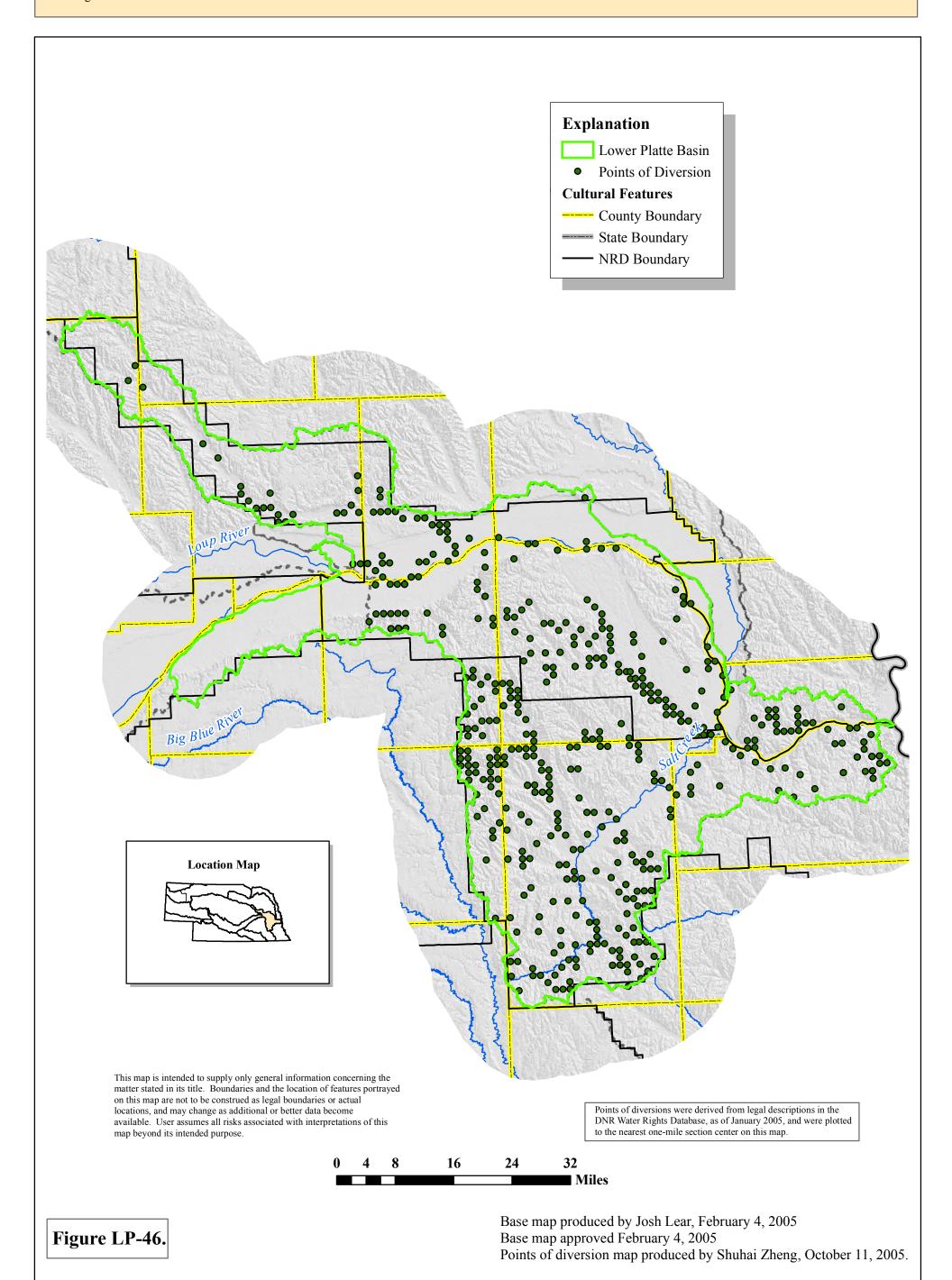
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Surface Water Points of Diversion LOWER PLATTE RIVER BASIN



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Corn Irrigation Requirement LOWER PLATTE RIVER BASIN



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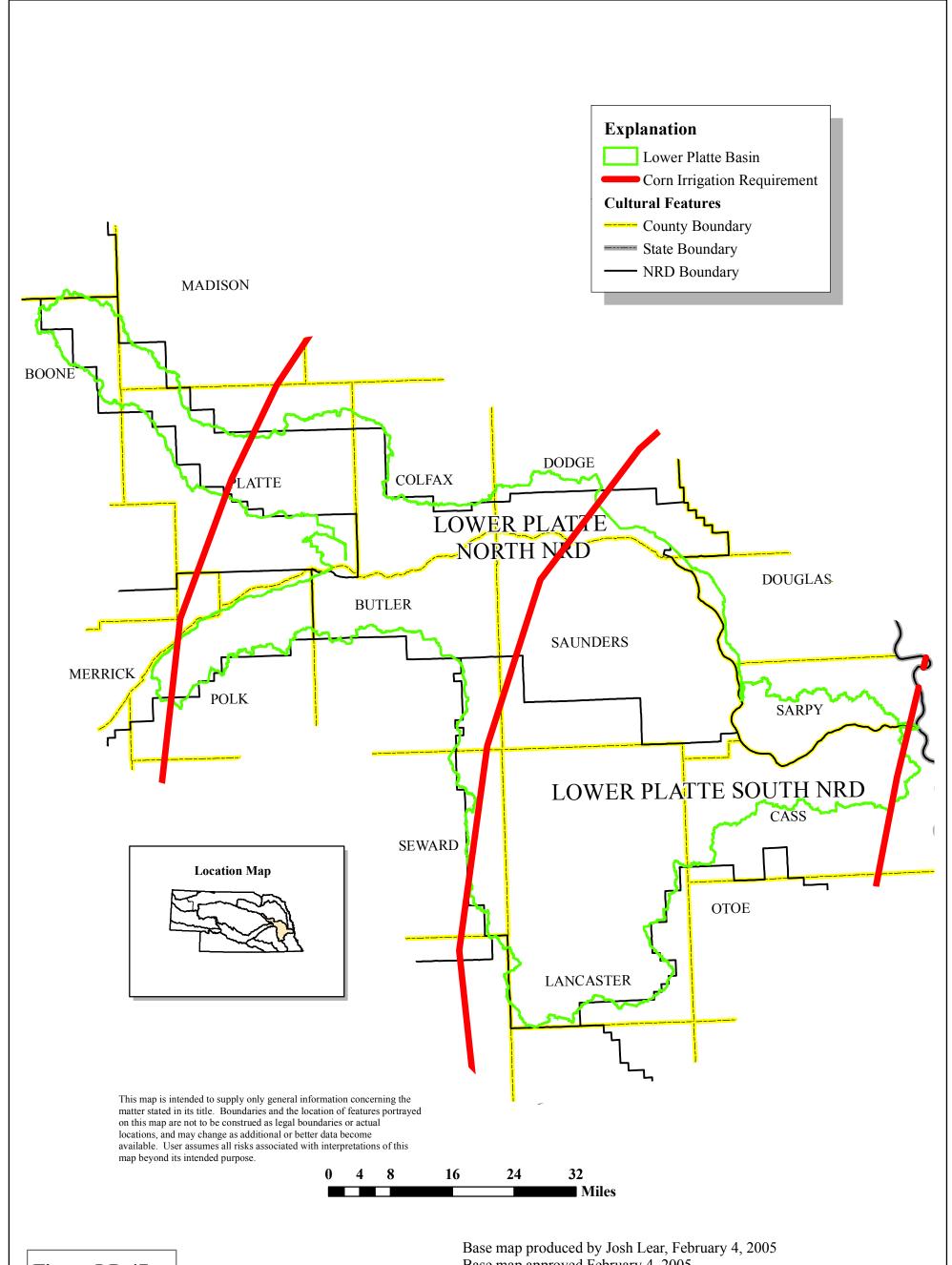
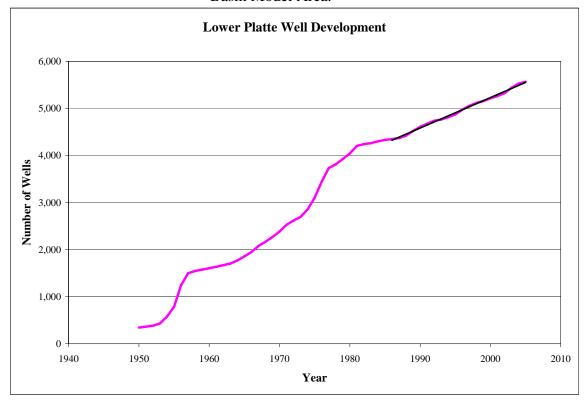


Figure LP-47.

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Figure L-48 Historic High Capacity Well Development in the Lower Platte River Basin Model Area.



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